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Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand ranged light to moderate, fair best where media promotions were planned. In the parts complex, breast items were at least adequate to available. Dark meat items were fully sufficient. Wings were readily available. Weights

were mixed but mostly

desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Oct 09, 2004

FOOD SERVICE/

| | FAST FOOD | <u>KETAIL</u> | DEBONING | <u>IOIAL</u> |
|--------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|
| Weight Range | 4.20 & Down | 4.21 - 5.25 | 5.26 & Up | |
| Total (000) | 18,335 | 17,184 | 45,156 | 80,675 |
| Percentage | 23% | 21% | 56% | 100% |

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

| Live Weights | RTC WOG Weights | No. of Head (000) | Percentage of Total Slaughter |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 3.60 lbs. & Lighter | Under 2 lbs., 8 oz. | 1,343 | 1.66 |
| 3.61 - 3.80 lbs. | 2 lbs., 8 oz. – 2 lbs., 10 oz. | 3,397 | 4.21 |
| 3.81 - 4.00 lbs | 2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz. | 9,453 | 11.72 |
| 4.01 - 4.20 lbs. | 2 lbs., 12 oz 2 lbs., 14 oz.l | 4,142 | <u>5.13</u> |
| | | 19 225 | 22.72 |

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

| | | | | | Eggs Set | | Chicks Plac | ed P | relim. Fed. In | sp. | |
|-----------|---------|-----|---------|-----|----------|-----|-------------|------|----------------|-----|--|
| Slaughter | Egg | | Chicks | | 10 Weeks | | 7 Weeks | | Million head | | |
| Week | Sets | | Placed | | Previous | | Previous | | Slaughtered | | |
| | (000) | %* | (000) | %* | (000) | %* | (000) | %* | (000) | %** | |
| Aug 21 | 212,548 | 103 | 175,852 | 104 | 213,649 | 102 | 175,859 | 102 | 163,809 | 102 | |
| Aug 28 | 210,374 | 104 | 174,887 | 103 | 214,094 | 103 | 175,620 | 104 | 164,670 | 101 | |
| Sep 04 | 209,158 | 104 | 173,432 | 103 | 212,932 | 105 | 174,763 | 106 | 167,764 | 102 | |
| Sep 11 | 202,346 | 104 | 174,288 | 103 | 210,446 | 102 | 173,595 | 103 | 149,574 | 89 | |
| Sep 18 | 198,110 | 102 | 172,651 | 104 | 211,352 | 103 | 172,811 | 103 | 154,376 | 103 | |
| Sep 25 | 201,592 | 103 | 171,535 | 105 | 214,372 | 103 | 174,498 | 103 | 161,724 | 105 | |
| Oct 02 | 199,132 | 102 | 167,089 | 105 | 213,137 | 103 | 174,742 | 103 | 162,066 | 100 | |
| Oct 09 | 203,648 | 104 | 161,191 | 102 | 214,939 | 104 | 175,717 | 104 | 161,676 | 100 | |
| Oct 16 | 194,824 | 104 | 163,964 | 102 | 213,074 | 103 | 175,200 | 104 | 161,485 | 100 | |

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

| Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.) | Majority | Current Week | Previous Week | Year Ago |
|---|----------|---------------------|----------------------|----------|
| Week of 10/25/04 | | | | |
| NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed | 60-63 | 61.64 | 62.59 | 58.86 |
| CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed | 58-61 | 60.98 | 61.13 | 56.78 |
| LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed | 82 | 79.72 | 79.52 | 70.62 |
| 12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg. | | 68.01 | 67.90 | 64.04 |
| GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock | 74.64 | 74.97 | 66.86 | |
| SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day A | 42.83 | 41.89 | 50.01 | |

| Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.) | Northeast | Southern States | Georgia |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Weekly Weighted Average | (Delivered) | (FOB) | (FOB) |
| | 10/22/04 | 10/22/04 | 10/25/04 |
| Breast – B/S | 130.49 | 120.45 | 158.00 |
| Tenderloins | 119.93 | 113.65 | 183.00 (Line run) |
| Breast – Line Run | 76.93 | 85.59 | 83.00 (Whole) |
| Leg Quarters | 30.34 | 25.58 | 31.00 |
| Wings | 105.31 | 96.12 | 103.00 |

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